CLAIMS:

A communicating apparatus, comprising: interface means for establishing connection to a personal computer;

off-hook detecting means for detecting an event that a telephone line is set to an off-hook state at initiation of communication / and

control means for transmitting information of the detection from the of f-hook detecting means to directory application in tiation request means integrally included in the personal computer.

2. A communicating apparatus comprising:

interface means for establishing connection to a personal computer;

a handset having a function for voice speech, or a voice amplifying function;

means for closing the telephone line in accordance with a state of the handset;

off-hook detecting means for detecting an event that the telephone like is closed at initiation of communication; and

control means for transmitting information of the detection from the off-hook detecting means to a directory application initiation request means integrally included in the personal computer.

3. A communitating apparatus, comprising:

interface means for establishing connection to a personal computer;

13 n image reading means for facsimile
communication;

operation means for a user to close a line before initiating the facsimile communication;

off-hook detecting means for detecting an event that the telephone line is closed at initiation of communication; and

control means for transmitting information of the detection from the off-hook detecting means to directory application initiation request means integrally included in the personal computer.

A communicating apparatus, comprising:

line control means connected to a telephone line for conducting a line control operation including a dialing operation;

central control means:

off-hook detecting means for detecting an event that the telephone line is set to an off-hook state at initiation of communication;

caller information detecting means for detecting a caller telephone number notified to a call receiver by a caller telephone number notification service; and

interface means for controlling a serial communication with a personal computer,

wherein the central control means transmits information of the detection from the off-hook detecting means to directory application initiation request means



incorporated in the personal computer and information of a partner detected by the caller information detecting means to the personal computer.

5. A communicating apparatus, comprising:

line control means connected to a telephone line for conducting a line control operation including a dialing operation;

central control means;

off-hook detecting means for detecting an event that the telephone line is set to an off-hook state at initiation of communication and outputting therefrom information of the detection;

bell signal detecting means for detecting a bell signal received from the telephone line and outputting therefrom information of the detection;

caller information detecting means for detecting a caller telephone number notified to a call receiver by a caller telephone number notification service; and

interface means for controlling a serial communication with a personal computer,

wherein the central control means transmits information of the detection from the off-hook detecting means and the bell signal detecting means to directory application initiation request means incorporated in the personal computer and information of a partner detected by the caller information detecting means to the personal computer.

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6. A communicating apparatus comprising:

line control means connected to a telephone line for conducting a line control operation including a dialing operation;

off-hook detecting means for detecting an event that the telephone line is set to an off-hook state at initiation of communication and outputting therefrom information of the detection;

caller information detecting means for detecting a caller telephone number notified to a call receiver by a caller telephone number notification service;

a personal computer on which directory application software is mounted;

application software initiation request means for initiating the directory application software in the personal computer; and

the detection from the off-hook detecting means to the application software initiation request means of the personal computer, initiating thereby the software, and displaying on a screen, in accordance with information of a partner detected by the caller information detecting means, detailed information of the partner stored in a storage of the personal computer.

7. A communicating apparatus comprising:

line control means connected to a telephone line for conducting a line control operation such as a

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dialing operation;

bell signal detecting means for detecting a bell signal received from the telephone line and outputting therefrom information of the detection;

caller information detecting means for detecting a caller telephone number notified to a call receiver by a caller telephone number notification service;

a personal computer on which directory application software is mounted;

application software initiation request means for initiating the directory application software in the personal computer and

control means for transmitting information of the detection from the bell signal detecting means to the application software initiation request means of the personal computer, initiating thereby the software, and displaying on a screen, in accordance with information of a partner detected by the caller information detecting means, detailed information of the partner stored in a storage of the personal computer.

8. A communicating apparatus comprising:

a modem connected to an external data communication device and the like for conducting data communication;

and for achieving a two-wire to four-wire transforming operation;

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a receiver-side amplifier installed in a signal path on a receiver side;

a caller-side amplifier installed in a signal path on a caller side;

off-hook detecting means including a photointerrupter for producing detection information in accordance with a voltage bet/ween a chip wire and a ring wire;

bell signal detecting means including a photointerrupter for producing detection information at an output terminal end the teof when a bell signal is received via a telephone network;

a microphone and a speaker arranged for a speech without using hands;

an amplifier for amplifying a signal outputted from the microphone;

an amplifier for sounding the speaker; switching/means for establishing and changing connections between the receiver side and the caller side; and

control/means including a personal computer interface for establishing connection to a personal computer for transmitting the detection information from the off-hook detecting means and the bell signal detecting means to application software initiation request means of the personal computer, initiating thereby directory application software, and displaying on a screen detailed information of a partner stored in a

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